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SUBJECT: DUTCH AND GERMANS LOOK AT SPECIALIZATION
POSSIBILITIES

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1. A SENIOR GERMAN MINISTRY OF DEFENSE OFFICIAL HAS
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TOLD US THAT MINISTER LEBER HAS NOT AGREED TO THE

ARRANGEMENT DESCRIBED IN REFTEL REGARDING AN EXCHANGE
OF TASKS BETWEEN DUTCH AND GERMAN FORCES.

2. CONFIRMING THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN PARAGRAPH 3
OF REFTEL, THE GERMAN OFFICIAL SAID THAT VREDELING HAD
INITIATED THE PROPOSAL AND THAT THE GERMANS HAVE THE
IMPRESSION THAT THE PROPOSAL MAY BE RELATED TO PLANS
TO RE-STUCTURE THE DUTCH NAVY.

3. HOWEVER, THE MOD OFFICIAL SAID THAT LEBER MERELY
AGREED TO STUDY THE PROPOSAL. BECAUSE OF MBFR CONSIDERA-
TIONS AS WELL AS OTHERS, IT WAS VERY QUESTIONABLE WHE-
THER THE GERMANS WOULD ACCEPT IT.

4. WE EXPECT TO SEE FRG STATE SECRETARY MANN ON MONDAY
AND WILL ASK HIM FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE SUBJECT.
IT SHOULD BE ON HIS MIND SINCE WE UNDERSTAND HE IS
SCHEDULED TO TALK TO THE DUTCH NEXT TUESDAY.

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